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# Koreans Oppose U. S. Cutback

## Troop Removal May Trigger Cabinet Crisis

HONOLULU (AP) — Top U.S. defense officials say a planned withdrawal of 20,000 troops from South Korea will be carried through, with or without the blessing of the Republic of South Korea.

Premier Chung Il-kwon has said he and his 19-member Cabinet will resign if the cut is made. But a high Pentagon official described the troop reduction as a nonnegotiable item for the third annual U.S.-South Korean defense conference, which opened here Tuesday.

Pentagon officials indicated in a background briefing that the major task of the U.S. delegation would be to convince the ROK defense minister that the planned troop withdrawal does not represent a lessening of the U.S. commitment in South Korea.

The package laid before the ROK delegation was described as a token extension of the Nixon doctrine in Southeast Asia. It called for a nearly one-third reduction in the 64,000 U.S. troops in South Korea in return for a massive upgrading of that nation's war arsenal.

Pentagon sources said the United States is willing to negotiate a timetable for the troop withdrawal and that conference talks could alter the 20,000 figure mentioned for the first troop reduction.

But sources said a hard decision to withdraw the troops has been made and is not subject to change.

"I belong to his Cabinet and I am sure he will act accordingly to what he has said," Defense Minister Jung Nae Hiuk said when asked on his arrival here about Chung's resignation warning.

"This is not the time to talk about withdrawal," he told newsmen. "Our defense posture should not be reduced, it should be strengthened."

Jung, the chief Korean negotiator for the two-day conference, was to meet with Deputy Defense Secretary David Packard and Adm. Thomas H. Moorer, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in the Pacific Command headquarters of Adm. John S. McCain Jr.

Packard, on his arrival here cited the booming economy of South Korea and said he was greatly impressed at the training and caliber of ROK forces, now considered the world's fourth largest.

He said that nation's wealth had doubled in the past decade and that it was time the South Koreans assumed a greater responsibility for their own defense.

U.S. defense officials say North Korea does not have the present capability to launch an invasion of the South like the June 1950 onslaught that scattered the ROK army.

U.S. troops now guard an important sector of the line dividing the two Koreas. American troops have been stationed there since the Korean War ended 17 years ago with an armistice, not a peace treaty.

While the South Korean army has been built up to about 550,000 men, and its morale is good, Korean officials say it must be refitted with more modern equipment to keep up with what North Korea is doing.

Jung said recently that in 1969, the North Koreans increased their army by 60,000 men and received 300 tanks and 150 warplanes from the Russians, bringing their air force to 900 planes. North Korea is believed to have more than 400,000 men under arms.

GUNPOINT CAPTURE — A North Vietnamese soldier raises both hands high in token or surrender before the muzzle of an M16 rifle held by a South Vietnamese soldier. The North Vietnamese tried to evade capture by hiding under the muddy water in his shell hole, but the South Vietnamese noticed ripples on the surface and flushed the North Vietnamese out by firing a shot. Scene took place during a recent operation in the Vinth Huy Valley area, some 20 miles northeast of Tam Ky. (AP Wirephoto)

## Our World This Morning

### NATIONAL

#### Becky Heads Toward Florida

PANAMA CITY, Fla. (AP) — Tourists began to desert the white beaches of the Florida panhandle Tuesday as four- to six-foot swells rolling in off the Gulf of Mexico signaled the approach of Hurricane Becky.

The Navy evacuated planes from Whiting Field at Milton and from its Pensacola complex to Jacksonville for safekeeping. Tyndall Air Force Base at Panama City was battened down and its pilots alerted for possible later movement out of the storm's path.

Hurricane warning flags were hoisted along a 100-mile stretch of shoreline from Fort Walton to Port St. Joe, but only a small portion of the area was expected to experience hurricane force winds.

Winds reached 75 miles an hour only over a 20-to-30-mile area near the storm center. Gale winds extended 150 miles to the north and east.

The National Hurricane Center at Miami urged immediate preparations for hurricane winds and six-foot tides.

### TEXAS

#### Girl Killed in Accident

ATLANTA, Tex. — Toni Lynn McCrary, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martel (Pete) McCrary of near Bloomburg, Tex., died in Ellington Memorial Hospital here Tuesday afternoon after being injured in an accident occurred about 2:45 p.m. Name of the truck driver who remained at the scene following the incident, was not available late Tuesday.

Details of the accident were unavailable late Tuesday.

### WEATHER

#### Cloudy And Warm

**TEXARKANA WEATHER — Yesterday's high, 79; low, 64. Rainfall, .03, for period ending 9 p.m.**

**SW ARKANSAS** — Partly cloudy today through Thursday. High, in 80s; low, low 60s.

**NE TEXAS** — Clear to partly cloudy with warmer temperatures. High, 80s to 90s; low, mid 60s to low 70s.

**SE OKLAHOMA** — Cloudy with chance of showers mainly in afternoon; no important temperature change. High, low 90s; low, upper 60s.

**NW LOUISIANA** — Continued cloudy and a little warmer temperatures. High today, 80s to 90s; low, 60s to 70s.

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BIG BROTHER TO THE RESCUE — This park water fountain is just a mite too tall for somebody like Tommy Godley, 3. But the back of big brother, Tony, 5, makes the height just right. The thirsty pair are the sons of Mrs. Maria Godley of Corpus Christi, Tex. (AP Wirephoto)

# Enemy Attacks Increase

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — Large enemy forces have moved into the Siem Reap-Angkor region and nightly attacks presage a big push there in the midst of one of the broadest North Vietnamese and Viet Cong drives so far in Cambodia, government officials said Tuesday.

The threat to this region was reported Tuesday from Siem Reap, 155 miles northwest of Phnom Penh, as enemy forces pressed attacks north, south and west of the Cambodian capital.

There have been reports that a division of enemy soldiers was moving into the Siem Reap-Angkor sector, and Cambodian officers said a major strike may be loosed later this month.

Intelligence reports say the enemy wants to capture Siem Reap and the nearby temple ruins of Angkor—the old seat of the Khmer empire—and install Prince Norodom Sihanouk's government in exile, now in Peking.

Villagers in the area told a Cambodian journalist that North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces occupied most of the temples at Angkor and operated a field hospital in the inner rings of the complex.

Angkor, has been declared by the Cambodian government an open city to prevent war damage to the world famous site.

Government forces made no attempt to occupy the ruins when enemy troops were reported to have withdrawn from Angkor two weeks ago.

In the fighting far to the south, a military spokesman said Cambodian troops had reoccupied Srang, 32 miles southwest of Phnom Penh. But correspondents who went down for a look could not get close and saw smoke rising from the town.

Fleeing villagers said enemy forces were putting the torch to Srang and reported the enemy was operating less than two miles from Tram Khnar, about five miles to the east.

Fighting went into its 10th day on Kiri Rom plateau, 50 miles west of Phnom Penh.

# Housing Authority Grant Given Okay

A grant and loan contract for $600,000 to the Texarkana Housing Authority under the Urban Renewal Neighborhood Development Program has been approved for Texarkana, Ark., by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Announcement of the approval was made Tuesday by Arkansas Congressman David Pryor in Washington.

City Manager Paul Schriever said Tuesday that he is quite pleased with the approval of the funding.

"This is the best news we've had in a while," Schriever said, "It's as good as receiving notice that funding for our second year projects (Model Cities) has been approved."

"Everybody," Schriever said, "has worked very hard to get this grant."

The funds, according to the city manager, will be used to eliminate structurally sub-standard buildings and other blighting influences in the city; to conserve and rehabilitate all other buildings in conformance with land objectives and to create parks.

SEEKING ELECTION BY WARDS

# CRG Files Special Election Petition

By LARRY POWELL
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The proposed special election to change the form of government in Texarkana, Ark., may be at least 60 days away if county and state officials work on maximum time limits as set by Arkansas state law.

Petitions seeking the special election were filed at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the office of Miller County Clerk W.H. (Abe) Dempsey.

The Committee for Representative Government (CRG), sponsored the petition drive and, according to a spokesman, collected about 850 signatures supporting a move to alter the city's present form of government.

The CRG seeks a city administrator form of government which will provide for the election of four city directors by wards and three directors and a mayor elected at-large. The current city manager form of government allows for at-large election of all seven directors.

City Attorney Willis B. Smith Jr., said the state law concerning such elections provides that the county clerk has 10 days to certify as to the number of "qualified electors" who signed the petition. The certification is made to the Secretary of State.

According to the law, if the secretary of state is satisfied the petition contains names of 15 per cent of the voters that voted in the previous director's race receiving the most votes, he is required to issue a proclamation calling for an election which is to be held not less than 30 nor more than 50 days from the date that the county clerk made the certification.

Smith said the law describes how the ballots will be written, designating a box to mark "for the city administrator form of government" and a box to mark "against the city administrator form of government."

"If this election is not successful," Smith said, "Then it's all over with. If it is, there are several more requirements."

If the action to form a new city government is approved by voters, the law provides that present city directors divide the city into four wards within 20 days. Then, after the establishment of the wards, the secretary of state has 10 days to call a special primary election which will be held not less than 40 days nor more than 75 days from the date of the secretary of state's proclamation.

The general election, according to the law, is to be scheduled not less than seven, nor more than 15 days after the primary.

Smith, commenting that the flexibility of the minimum and maximum days could easily affect the date of the general election, said that the election could be "sometime in December if they (state and county officials) hustle." He added that it could be set as late as February.

The CRG proposal for the government has met with two points of opposition. One suggests that the citizens cast their votes for the new Arkansas constitution in November, thereby providing for a change in the city's government without calling a special election.

The other opposing viewpoint claims that under the city administrator form of government sought by the CRG, the mayor would have too much power. He would be elected at-large and would have no vote, but he would have a veto power on all matters except personnel.

The drive to change the form of government was launched in late May by the CRG. The desire to change the government, spokesmen for the CRG have said, results from the desire to insure better representation for all citizens.

Chairman of the CRG, N.H. Hilliard, said the committee decided to continue its fight for the change because members feel the proposed city administrator form, "While not perfect, is more desirable than the present form of government."

# Economy Battle Looms Between Nixon, Demos

WASHINGTON (AP) — While Nixon officials argued Tuesday the nation's worst inflation in 20 years is ending, Democrats set the stage for a full House fight over the economy by moving to give the President something he says he doesn't want and won't use—authority to freeze wages and prices.

The House Banking Committee, acting on party lines, voted to give standby power to the President to put a temporary lid on prices and wages at the levels in effect two months ago.

Democratic leaders in the House promised a strong push to pass the legislation.

The move came on a day when the latest cost-of-living report showed mixed figures.

The price index in June climbed four-tenths of one per cent, a smaller rise than in earlier months this year. But the cost of such essentials as food, clothing and medical care still was 6 per cent above last year's levels.

Two Cabinet members went before Congress' Joint Economic Committee to testify that the worst of the inflationary spiral is past and a business upturn is coming.

"Our patience is being rewarded," said Secretary of the Treasury David M. Kennedy. He asserted the economy is emerging from prolonged overheating to a new period of expansion without so much inflation.

Secretary of Labor James F. Hodgson pointed to increased productivity by workers, said he foresees no major jumps in unemployment, and argued the cooling of inflation makes the nation's current jobless rate of nearly 5 per cent worth the discomfort.

In other economic developments Tuesday:

—The cost-of-living report showed rank-and-file workers got a boost of $1.65 in pay to an average of $120 per week, but their real purchasing power still lagged below the levels of a year ago for the 15th straight month.

—House Appropriations Chairman George H. Mahon, D-Tex., called for congressional restraint as floor debate began on a $19-billion spending bill for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education and Welfare. Mahon urged cooperation with the President in holding down spending.

LAST IN A SERIES

# Arkansas Political Power Shift Expected

By IRA TAYLOR
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The continuing change in the distribution of people and personal income in Arkansas has several implications but the primary one is that in developmental planning the need today is go worry about people — not square miles.

This is the opinion expressed in a report published by the University of Arkansas Industrial Research and Extension Center. The center reported in a research memorandum that available data indicates that more than half of Arkansas' people live in cities and towns and that Arkansas are more urban than rural.

Population of Miller County tends to bear out this data as some 21,088 people now reside in Texarkana alone, according to 1970 preliminary census reports. The population for the county was reported to be 32,301 and the figure includes Texarkana, Fouke, Garland City and other small towns in the county.

The political scene will undoubtedly reflect the growing urbanization as power will eventually shift to the cities from the rural areas with the legislature reapportioned to match the population shifts. Consequently more legislators will be city dwellers and will represent city dwellers and city problems will be dealt with first during legislative sessions.

The report stated that this should bring about a growing reluctance toward distributing State funds across the state evenly as butter is spread on a piece of toast, because people of the state are not spread evenly across the state. This means spending more money proportionately in the cities and towns to take care of their problems and eventually, after even more urbanization has occurred, Arkansans may decide to reorganize their local governments.

Per capita income is a good measure of relative well being but it is not the only measure. In planning economic development programs a large segment of Arkansans may be neglected if other measures are not considered.

For example, if one were to base a development program on upgrading per capita income only, he would probably not consider directing any efforts into Pulaski or Sebastian Counties. However, if one were to direct efforts of a development program into counties according to the number of families with incomes below a set level in each county, then Pulaski and Sebastian counties would receive considerable attention.

The 1960 census figures revealed that there were as many of more families with incomes under $3,000 annually in Pulaski County as there were in several of the smaller counties combined, and the 1970 figures are expected to reveal much the same thing, the report said.

So in terms of spending public funds the number of persons benefited by such spending seems more significant than insuring that every citizen has equal service. For example, a library in Jefferson County may well benefit more citizens than identical facilities in each of the twelve least populous counties.

"This implies that unless and until enough funds are available to provide equal services everywhere, efficient spending to benefit the most people for a given cost still remains the best guiding principle for governmental expenditures. The development of people rather than geographic areas should be the primary concern," the researchers concluded.